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## RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

Applicants elect Species I, figures 1-9, in response to the Election of Species Requirement of July 1, 2008. Claims 1-15 read upon the elected species. Claim 1 has been recognized as generic.

An early and favorable action on the merits is requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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